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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hideto YASUDA et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2135

Confirmation No. 6091

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Examiner: Beemnet W. Dada

For: USER AUTHENTICATION APPARATUS, METHOD OF USER AUTHENTICATION,
AND STORAGE MEDIUM THEREFOR

AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 12, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on October 12, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith, along with a Petition for Two Month Extension of Time, together with the requisite fee, thereby extending the response due date to December 13, 2004 (December 12, 2004 falling on a Sunday).

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following claim amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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